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SUBJECT: NPG TNF HIGH LEVEL GROUP

1. FIRM AGENDA WE NOW PROPOSE FOR FIRST MEETING OF
NPG HIGH LEVEL GROUP IS AS FOLLOWS:

I. OPENING REMARKS

II. NATO'S DETERRENT PRINCIPLES AND EMPLOYMENT
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III. NATO THEATER NUCLEAR FORCES

IV. WARSAW PACT THEATER NUCLEAR FORCES

V. COMPARISON OF FORCES AND SOME NATO TASKS

VI. PARAMETERS AND DETERMINANTS OF FUTURE FORCE

POSTURES

2. THIS AGENDA DIFFERS IN ORDER, BUT NOT IN SUBSTANCE FROM OUR EARLIER LIST OF TOPICS. BASIS OF PREPARATIONS FOR ALLIES REMAINS SAME. FORMAT WE ENVISAGE IS DAY-AND-A HALF MEETING (THREE SESSIONS), WITH SHORT REMARKS OR A BRIEFING (20-30 MINUTES) BY THE US TO INTRODUCE EACH AGENDA ITEM, FOLLOWED BY DISCUSSION OF THAT ITEM PRIOR TO PASSING TO NEXT ITEM AND BRIEFING. BRIEFINGS ARE INTENDED TO LAY FACTUAL BASIS FOR DISCUSSIONS RATHER THAN PROPOSED POSITIONS OR SOLUTIONS.

3. WE HOPE ALLIES WILL FEEL FREE TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON THE SCOPE AND CONTENT OF THE EXERCISE AND ON ANY ASPECT OF TNF POSTURE RAISED IN THE BRIEFINGS. PER USNATO11155, WE OF COURSE WILL WELCOME COUNTRY OR OTHER INPUTS TO THE HIGH LEVEL GROUP DELIBERATIONS. THESE CONTRIBUTIONS COULD BE OF A BROAD NATURE OR ADDRESS SPECIFIC TOPICS, AS WE HAD SUGGESTED IN THE US OUTLINE PAPER OF SEPTEMBER. IN THIS RESPECT, WE WOULD HOPE THAT FOLLOWING EACH OF THE SEVERAL BRIEF US PRESENTATIONS DURING THE 8-9 DECEMBER MEETING OF THE HIGH LEVEL GROUP THE BULK OF THE TIME AVAILABLE COULD BE DEVOTED TO AIRING EUROPEAN (AND CANADIAN) VIEWS REGARDING THE ROLE OF TNF IN NATO STRATEGY, THE NATO AND WP TNF POSTURES, AND THE VARIOUS PARAMETERS WHICH BEAR ON

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THE MATTER OF LONG-TERM TNF MODERNIZATION. WE INTEND THAT THE SPECIFIC WORK PROGRAM OF THE HIGH LEVEL GROUP FLOW FROM THESE DISCUSSIONS AND THAT WE CAN SUMMARIZE A CONSENSUS ON THE WORK PROGRAM BY THE END OF THE MEETING.

4. WE HAD NO DIFFICULTIES WITH THE REPORT FOR THE DPC REFERRED TO IN USNATO 11555.

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